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Applicant(s) : CHAPMAN et al.

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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action mailed herein 9 May 2003.

By separate papers submitted herewith Applicants have filed a Request for Continued Examination and a petition for a suitable extension of time for making this response.

Claims 1 – 8 are pending in the application. Claims 5 and 7 are allowed.

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Claims 1 – 4 and 6 are rejected under 35 USC § 102, and claim 8 is added.

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Applicants respectfully traverse the rejection of the claims, as explained below.